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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 3682  
Docket No.: 1785.1014

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Kuniyasu MATSUMOTO et al.

Serial No. 10/810,698

Group Art Unit: 3682

Confirmation No. 1172

Filed: March 29, 2004

Examiner: James Pilkington

For: LAYING DEVICE FOR LAYING LINE ELEMENT

**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attention: **BOX AF**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 6, 2007, and having a period for response set to expire on February 6, 2008. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to March 6, 2008.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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**REPLY/AMENDMENT  
FEE TRANSMITTAL**

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| Attorney Docket No.  | 1785.1014                 |
| Application Number   | 10/810,698                |
| Filing Date          | March 29, 2004            |
| First Named Inventor | Kuniyasu MATSUMOTO et al. |
| Group Art Unit       | 3682                      |

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|-----------------|--------|---------------|------------------|
| AMOUNT ENCLOSED | 120.00 | Examiner Name | James Pilkington |
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**FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 9/30/07)**

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED  | Claims Remaining After Amendment | Highest Number Previously Paid For | Number Extra | Rate          | Calculations |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| TOTAL CLAIMS       | 8                                | - 20 =                             | 0            | X \$ 50.00 =  | \$ 0.00      |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | 1                                | - 3 =                              | 0            | X \$ 200.00 = | 0.00         |

Since an Official Action set an original due date of February 6, 2008, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$120)); (2 months (\$450)); (3 months (\$1,020)); (4 months (\$1,590)); (5 months (\$2,160)):

If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$500.00)

If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$130.00)

Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)

Total of above Calculations = \$ 120.00

Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)

**TOTAL FEES DUE = \$ 120.00**

(1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0".

(2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20".

(4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0".

(5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3".

**METHOD OF PAYMENT**

- ☒ Check enclosed as payment.
- ☐ Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below.
- ☐ No payment is enclosed.

**GENERAL AUTHORIZATION**

- ☒ If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to:

Deposit Account No. 19-3935

Deposit Account Name STAAS & HALSEY LLP

- ☒ The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.

SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP

Typed Name Aaron C. Walker

Reg. No. 59,921

Signature

Date

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